



Swan City Football Club
Regular Board Meeting
July 5, 2022 at 7:30 PM

Present: Derek Van Tassell , Amber Pickrell, Lynda Atamanchuk, Jesse Noppibul, Jeff Haakstad, Chad Moore, Brigitte Benning, Corrie Funk

Regrets: Robert Kirk and Ricardo Pillay

Staff: Houssam Chattri, David Rojas

Guest attendees: Jessica Winterford, discussed 4HER program continuing:

- **4HER** was developed with the ultimate goal of creating gender equity through sport within the Grande Prairie Community. The aim of this initiative is to empower girls and women as active participants and leaders, thus creating a lasting change in our community and beyond. 4HER is designed for females, and is based upon the four pillars: Empowerment, equity, leadership and athletics.
- With the aim of accessibility for all, **4HER** will aim to implement programs surrounding financial support for those disadvantaged, mental health services, body image support, female focused training and injury, nutrition, and female centered sport programming from our earliest age groups.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Derek Van Tassell chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

2.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion 01

To adopt the revised agenda of July 5 ,2022, with revisions noted below:

Add: Old Business: 5 iv) Task List
New Business: 6 iv) Referee discussion
v) Rotary update

Moved by: Amber

Seconded by: Jeff

Carried

3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES



3.1 June 6, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion 02

To adopt the Board Meeting Minutes dated June 6, 2022.

Tabled to next board meeting

- Lynda to distribute board meeting minutes from April and May to the board for approval. In addition, have David post on our website.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

4.1 Financial Reports Dated: May 31, 2022

Motion 03

To approve the financial reports for May 31, 2022 as presented.

Moved by: Lynda

Seconded by: Jeff

Carried

5.0 ED/TD/Committee Reports

5.1 Executive Director Report

Facilities

- BGreen is repairing 8 sprinkler heads. Parts needed to be ordered in - repairs have not been completed.
- Windows at Rotary building need to be replaced and window guard installed for added security. This could be done as part of the winterization of Rotary.
- A new paint job for the Rotary building and deck are a priority. We have received complaints from RCMP and neighbors.
- End of the season cleanup and winterization of Rotary fields to be done late September.

Competitive/Development Youth

- Please see proposed budget for our 2022-2023 indoor season. A few items are subject to change. SCFC PS budget needs to be discussed.
- A house league format will be introduced for players aged 7-15. Please refer to TD report and budget for details. - Decision to continue with EIYSA needs to be discussed.

Grassroots

- Outdoor program will end on July 10th.

Fundraising/Grants

- Draw for our fundraiser raffle will take place on July 15th.
- Cars for Christmas (\$5,000 - \$15,000). Application was submitted on June 9th – pending decision



- Sport Hosting Grant Application for the SCFC Power Wheelchair Soccer event this fall was submitted on June 29th - Pending decision.
- Registered for a Grant Writing Webinar on July 7th offered by the Government of Alberta. Looking for a more comprehensive course.

Contracts

- Board signs sales have started to generate revenue. Dalene has done a great job updating the contract and reaching out to potential buyers.
- Sportswear Plus – Awaiting to receive finalized contract. They have accepted all our suggested revisions.

5.2 Technical Director Report

Programming

Minor Soccer:

- **Grassroots:** remaining sessions: July 3, 10.
- **Grassroots 22-23 indoor season:**
 - Tentative starting date: Oct 13th.
 - Age groups: U4PT to U6; U7 to U15.
 - U4PT to U6; 10 weeks; every Saturday.
 - U7; U9; U11; U13/U15 coed; 2 session per week; skill development on Tuesday or Thursday; house league games on Saturday.
 - Ratio: 12 players per coach; 4 teams per age group; total of 48 players per age group per gender.
 - Total of 440 kids in grassroots/house league.
 - Budget and registration fee: refer to the budget proposal.

Competitive Teams:

- The U9 boys hp and the U11 boy's dev have only one tournament scheduled this outdoor season. We will organize exhibition games to play at the Rotary fields.
- The U13 boys hp will be playing the last two EIYSA games in Grande Prairie; promote the event and invite our club members to come support.
- The U17 boys team commitment wasn't there based on different factors. Their season was canceled. A meeting was held with the parents to discuss the reasons behind the low attendance.
- Season wrap-up: Make it an event; games and skill showcase at the Rotary fields for all age groups; food, music etc; promote the upcoming indoor season.
- Retain current players: email team members on Teamlinkt and encourage players to come back to their teams during the indoor season.
- **Indoor Season Structure:** Grassroots/House league, Competitive and High-Performance streams.
- **22-23 Indoor Swan City Fc teams projection:** Competitive program: U9 boys, U11 boys, U13 boys, U13 girls. High performance program: U9 boys, U11 boys, U13 boys, U15 boys, U15 girls, U17 boys, U17 girls. Total of 11 teams.
- Indoor season tentative start: Oct 15th.
- EIYSA or EMSA: to discuss further.
- Tournaments: TBD.
- Practice times and days for the indoor season will most likely remain the same as the current season. Indoor registration fee: Refer to the budget proposal.



- Total number of sessions: Competitive teams: 42 sessions; High performance teams: 64 sessions.

Adult League:

- Outdoor Adult league: May 24 - July 27; 7 VS 7 format at the Rotary Fields.
- Field grass and lines maintained weekly by Youssef. The Rotary building will be painted during the first week of July.
- Both men's and women's finals will be played at the Rotary fields instead of the Legion Field; invite all our club members to come watch; organize the season wrap-up event during the same day; trophies and MVP; make it a big event.

Equipment:

- The Veo camera is on its way. The subscription cost will be included in the indoor registration fee.
- The camera will be used as a tool to enhance the tactical training of our teams and to livestream games.
- Planning for the next indoor season: The new Swan City FC jerseys will be purchased by Sportswear Plus and sold to our members. An online shop will be available for everyone to purchase our club gear. New kits will be available for the 2022-2023 indoor season.

Coaching Staff:

- Chuntai, Carlos and Youssef will be taking the soccer for life course during the summer before they can be eligible to take the C license course.
- Our U13 - U17 boys and girls were part of the grassroots coaching staff this season. Great coaching experience for our players. Good feedback from the parents.

Events:

- **Adult League:** Playoffs starting July 18th for both men and women.
- **Try - It Day:** On June 11th, Swan City hosted a Try-It Day event for two hours at the Rotary fields. 28 kids attended the event. Players got to learn basic soccer skills and play a friendly game. Great experience overall.
- **Summer Sizzler Cup:** June 17-19
- U13 boys' development - Silver Medal - Pool A.
- U15 girls hp - Gold Medal - Pool A.
- U9 boys hp, U11 boys dev, U13 girl's dev - 4th place.

5.3 All Committee Reports

Senior League Sub-Committee Report

- Brigitte Benning & Jesse Noppibul
- Skipped June meeting as reps could not attend

Meeting Overview

- Jesse & Brigitte met with David & Houssam

SUMMER TOURNAMENT/EVENT:

We have decided to move the summer tournament to a fall format as it is short notice and many people travel in the summer.

- **SCFC BANQUET W/ DELTA HOTEL DURING WORLD CUP:** Delta Hotel's is interested in hosting SCFC there during the World Cup and banquet can hold up to 400 people.

- Action Item: Communication RE: Canceled Games.



- Asked how this will be communicated, and can Team Link be used? If not, can it be posted on Facebook as early as possible.
 - Action Item: Registration Fees (Flat Rate vs Individual).
- Some women's teams prefer the old model where a team pays a flat rate, yet men's team prefer that individuals pay. Discussion was had and proposed idea for there two be two pay options: Flat Rate or Individual. (Jesse can speak to details).
 - Action Item: Bylaws
- Jesse & Brigitte to meet with Houssam and David to discuss.

SCFC Power Soccer Report

- 4 athletes and 1 coach attended the ACPSA tournament in Strathmore AB on June 18&19 2022. Receipts were submitted. This was our last tournament until the fall.
- The budget for power soccer needs to be reviewed and revised for the 2022-2023 season due to the high cost of equipment still needed, travel required to play, transportation of sport powerchairs and maintenance of equipment.
- Our Hi-Tech corporate donation has paid our gym fees for this past season and should cover the total cost for gym time for the next 2 years.
- I would like to buy official power soccer goal posts due to safety issues with the current traffic pilons we are using. At the last meeting, board members thought we could have these locally made. I have not heard back on this proposal. If not, I want to order them soon because they have to come from the US.
- I am working with ACPSA to host another power soccer tournament in GP on October 1&2 2022. There is a grant that SCFC can apply for through the City of Grande Prairie sport hosting committee. David and Corrie are working on this.
- My in-person presentation to the City of Grande Prairie Rotary in hopes of getting \$50,000 is on July 8, 2022. I am bringing 2 SCFC PS athletes to help with this.
- Eastlink center has agreed to let us store equipment all summer at no cost. Inventory and cleaning of equipment is done.
- I have already booked the Eastlink gym for the 2022-2023 season (Sept 20, 2022-June 13, 2023) on the same day (Tuesdays 5:30-7pm) 36 weeks of court time total. I hope to keep the players fees at \$300 for the year and that covers their required ACPSA insurance.
- Posters and advertising to bring more athletes will need done before the September registration opens.

Motion 04

Adopt the ED, TD, and Committee reports as presented.

Moved by: Lynda

Seconded by: Jeff

Carried



Motion 05

To provide up to \$1100 for the purchase of 4 goal posts for Power Soccer.

Moved by: Amber

Seconded by: Jesse

Carried

6.0 New Business

6.1

Motion 06

To approve the budget for our rec program, at Grassroots at \$149 and House League at \$229.

Moved by: Jeff

Seconded by: Amber

Carried

7.0 EMAIL MOTIONS

Below motion was a result of discussions between SCFC facility committee and Joint Rec Regional Committee in relation to ongoing possible expansion of the County Crosslink Expansion

Motion 07

“Swan City Football Club is prepared to contribute \$100,000 from our capital account towards the cross link expansion detailed design on the following conditions:

1. The \$100, 000 is paid upon the later of:
 - a. the detailed design being completed; or
 - b. when the Club’s current GIC matures.
2. The City of Grande Prairie matches the \$100, 000 commitment from SCFC (pursuant to earlier approved City resolution granting the club matching funds up to \$100, 000); and
3. Should the Cross Link expansion not proceed, Swan City Football Club would be entitled to a re-imbusement of \$100,000 via fair market pitch rentals at the existing space at times to be agreed upon between the Club and County.

Moved by: Jeff

Seconded by: Chad

Carried “All in Favour”



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8.0 NEXT MEETING:

August 8, 2022 @ 7:30 pm

The chair adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm

Approved the 5 day of July , 2022

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CHAIRPERSON

(Derek Van Tassell)

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SECRETARY

(Lynda Atamanchuk)